ational Hindi University with its branches in other countries;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and what steps have been taken regarding the location of the university;

(c) whether the Education Minister of Andhra Pradesh had made any appeal to the Central Government to start the proposed International Hindi University with its head quarters in Hyderabad and whether he also assured that the State Government would provide all facilities including finances etc.; and

(d) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) No conference of Education Ministers was held under the chairmanship of the Prime Minister last year.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Question does not arise.

Site for Central University in Assam

194. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to the Unstarred Question 1145 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 18th November, 1987 and state whether Government have taken any decision in respect of a site for the proposed Central University in Assam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): No, Sir.

Navodaya Vidyalayas in States

195. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Navodaya Vidyalayas have started functioning in any State;

(b) if so, what are the names of these States; and

(c) whether any State has opted out of this scheme, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A list indicating the names of States/Union Territories in which Navodaya Vidyalayas have been sanctioned/opened is annexed as Statement. (*See* below)

(c) State Governments of Assam, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal have so far not made any proposal for the location of Navodya Vidyalayas in their States.

Statement

Navodaya Vidyalayas in the States/ Union Territory Administrations

1. Andhra Pradesh
2. Bihar
3. Haryana
4. Himachal Pradesh
5. Gujarat
6. Goa
7. Daman and Diu
8. Jammu and Kashmir
9. Kerala
10. Karnataka
11. Meghalaya
12. Mizoram
13. Rajasthan

14. Punjab
15. Nagaland
16. Manipur
17. Orissa
18. Madhya Pradesh
19. Maharashtra
20. Arunachal Pradesh
21. Sikkim
22. Tripura
23. Uttar Pradesh
24. Chandigarh
25. Delhi
26. Andaman and Nicobar Island
27. Pondicherry
28. Lakshadweep
29. Dadra and Nagar Haveli

Facilities for International Flights at Ahmedabad

196. SHRI VITHALBHAI MOTIRAM PATEL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have been taken to provide facilities for international flights at Ahmedabad airport;

(b) whether the work to extend the runway has been completed and if not, by when it is likely to be completed; and

(c) whether any date has been fixed to complete the facilities for international flights at Ahmedabad airport?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) and (b) The Planning Commission has not yet approved taking up of new schemes by the National Airports Authority during 1988-89 and work has not even begun.

(c) No, Sir.

Financial assistance for Minor in Gujarat

197. SHRI VITHALBHAI MOTIRAM PATEL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Gujarat has requested the Centre to provide financial assistance for the development of minor ports in Gujarat;

(b) if so, what is the response of the Centre on the request of the Gujarat Government; and

(c) whether any assistance has been sanctioned so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Due to resource constraint the Government of Gujarat has been informed that no minor port in Gujarat has been selected for financial assistance.

Disposal of surplus land of Keshod Airport

198. SHRI VITHALBHAI MOTIRAM PATEL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of Gujarat has requested for the disposal of surplus land at Keshod Airport in Gujarat;

(b) whether Government have taken any decision for the disposal of surplus land of Keshod Airport; and

(c) if so, what is the decision of the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.